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§ 204-d. Duties of the fire chief. The fire chief of any fire department or company shall, in addition to any other duties assigned to him by law or contract, to the extent reasonably possible determine or cause to be determined the cause of each fire or explosion which the fire department or company has been called to suppress. He shall file with the office of fire prevention and control a report containing such determination and any additional information required by such office regarding the fire or explosion. The report shall be in the form designated by such office. He shall contact or cause to be contacted the appropriate investigatory authority if he has reason to believe the fire or explosion is of incendiary or suspicious origin. For all fires that are suspected to have been ignited by a cigarette, within fourteen days after completing the investigation into such fire, the fire chief shall forward to the office of fire prevention and control information detailing, to the extent possible: (a) the specific brand and style of the cigarette suspected of having ignited such fire; (b) whether the cigarette package was marked as required by subdivision six of section one hundred fifty-six-c of the executive law; and (c) the location and manner in which such cigarette was purchased.